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SUBJECT: ELECTION TO UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. ELECTION FOR UNESCO EXBD. TO BE HELD SATURDAY,
OCT. 26 A.M. VOTE WILL BE BY SECRET BALLOT.

2. CUBA HAS INSERTED HERSELF AS CANDIDATE MAKING THREE
CANDIDATES FOR TWO SEATS ALLOCATED LA REGION. LA
GROUP UNABLE COME TO DECISION BETWEEN CUBA AND
NICARAGUA. THREE CANDIDATES LA THEREFORE BRAZIL,
NICARAGUA, CUBA. LATTER STANDS EXCELLENT CHANCE
ELECTION, PARTICULARLY SINCE BALLOT WILL BE SECRET.

3. AFRICAN-ARAB GROUP ALSO HAD DIFFICULTY COMING TO
AGREEMENT AND EIGHT CANDIDATES PUT FORTH FOR SIX
SEATS. IN SOMEWHAT STORMY MEETING THURSDAY EVENING BY
SECRET BALLOT AFRICAN-ARABS AGREED ON SIX CANDIDATES:
UGANDA, GABON, UPPER VOLTA, TUNISIA, SYRIA,
MAURITANIA. NIGER AND MAURITIUS LOST GROUP SUPPORT
AND ARE BEING PRESSURED TO WITHDRAW, BUT AS YET HAVE
NOT DONE SO.

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4. OTHER REGIONS AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED: GROUP I,

FRANCE, NORWAY, UK, AUSTRALIA, USA, BELGIUM; GROUP II,
USSR, GDR; GROUP IV, PHILIPPINES, JAPAN, IRAN, NEPAL.

5. COMMENT: US DEL. QUITELY LOBBYING FOR NICARAGUA.
UGANDA, GIVEN POOR RELATIONS WITH US MAY BE UNFOR-
TUNATE CHOICE.
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